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Hannibal Amateur Radio Club News

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NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

Wednesday May 10, 2017 at 7:00 PM

H.A.R.C. NEW, PERMANENT MEETING LOCATION

MARION COUNTY AMBULANCE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – 142 JAYCEE DRIVE, HANNIBAL, MISSOURI

Driving Directions (From the South): Route 61 into the city. Continue past the turn off for **MODOT offices**. The next Left is **Clinic Road (Poage Jeep/Chrysler)**. Turn Left onto Clinic Road and continue to the intersection of Communication Drive. Turn Left onto **Communication Drive** and continue to the curve in Communication Drive. Then turn right onto **Jaycee Dr**. The Ambulance District building is the last building on the Right – **142 Jaycee Dr**. Parking is just before you get to the building on the right.

(From the North/East/West): Route 61 south to **Clinic Road (Right turn just past Wendy's)**. Turn right onto Clinic Road and go to intersection of **Communication Drive**. Turn Right onto **Communication Drive** and continue to the curve in Communication Drive. Then turn right onto **Jaycee Dr**. The Ambulance District building is the last building on the Right – **142 Jaycee Dr**. Parking is just before you get to the building on the right.

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MONDAY NIGHT WEEKLY NET CALL LIST – MAY 2017

1 KDØHHN DON
 8 WB2UFO LARRY
 15 KDØYTH STEVE
 22 KB9VIS BRIAN
 29 WØPGL TONY

SCHEDULED FCC VE TEST DATES FOR YEAR OF 2017**DATES FOR 2017 :**

JULY 12, 2017
OCTOBER 11, 2017

Registration is requested at least 72 hours before the exam session by contacting the team liaison, Larry Lauer at Larry@alauer.com or 573-406-0383. If enough VE's are present at the meeting night, any walk ins will be able to test that evening

The 2017 test fee will be unchanged at \$15.00. It goes to ARRL/VEC. Bring a photo ID (or two non-photo ID's); if currently licensed, bring the original and a photocopy of your valid FCC license; and if you are claiming credit for successful completion of an exam, bring the original and photocopy of any applicable CSCE's.

Exams will take place at 8:00 PM after the regular scheduled HARC meeting.

WALK INS ARE WELCOME.

HARC CLUB DUES:

HARC annual dues are due each January. The dues are very important and are needed to keep repeaters up and running, plus other expenses of the club. The yearly dues fee is \$20.00 per member, & \$5.00 for each additional family member. You can pay at club meetings, or send the money to HARC, P.O. Box 1522 Hannibal Mo, 63401. Thanks!!



HARC MINUTES FOR APRIL 2017 MEETING



Respectfully submitted by Dave Milam KB0RZN
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Monthly Meeting Minutes

April 12th, 2017

Don (KD0HHN) opened the meeting at 7:00pm with 19 people present including 3 guests. After introductions, he asked if there were any proposals for membership. Hearing none, Don asked if everyone read last month's meeting minutes and asked for a motion to accept. Rocky (KE0KCR) made a motion to accept, and it was seconded by J.D. (W0AJD). The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Larry (WB2UFO) read the Treasurer's Report for March 2017. Last month's Ending Balance was \$1,501.57, this month's Ending Balance is \$1,567.57, and the CD Balance is \$1,324.63, making the Club's Total Assets \$2,892.20. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Steve (KD0YTH) and seconded by Rocky (KE0KCR). The motion carried.

Repeaters:

Verne (W5UYF) reported no known problems with either machine.

Unfinished Business:

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Don (KD0HHN) reported he had talked to David Gill (K9FHX) in Quincy about several people that were Technicians interested in taking a General Class. They discussed doing “Elmer Cram Sessions” on a couple of Saturdays just before testing, rather than about 2 months worth of Saturdays holding regular classes. Don will report back when he hears from the Quincy Club.

New Business:

The Club Dinner will be held April 29th at the Golden Corral in Hannibal. It will start at 6:30p.m. We have the front room reserved and everyone is invited. Don made a suggestion that since we moved the Dinner to April instead of February, we also move the election of “Member of the Year” award to March instead of December. That way, the recipient wouldn’t have to wait so long to receive the award. Larry (WB2UFO) made the suggestion a motion, and it was seconded by Ed (N0WNV). The motion carried.

Field Day will be coming up June 24th and 25th. This year we will be in Quincy, again joining forces with the Quincy Club. The event will be held at the Red Cross Chapter House. Don inquired if anyone would like to volunteer to be a liaison between the two Clubs for Field Day planning; possibly attending a couple of Quincy Club meetings and reporting back to our Club. If interested, please contact Don.

Don read a couple of flyers about upcoming Hamfests. The Lewis and Clark Radio Club will be holding a Hamfest in Godfrey April 22 from 7:00a.m. until noon, and Quincy has their Hamfest scheduled for August 12. This year it will be held at the Paloma Field House. There is a flyer on their website.

Rocky (KE0KCR) brought information about the Civil Air Patrol Squadron holding their Open House Saturday April 22nd from 9:00a.m. to 11:00a.m at the Hannibal Airport.

Larry (WB2UFO) asked that if you join or renew your ARRL membership, please do it through the Club. We receive \$15.00 for new memberships, and \$2.00 for each renewal. Larry also mentioned a “mini Hamfest” that we started holding at each meeting. If you have ham equipment you no longer need, bring it to the next meeting and place it on the table at the back of the room. Someone may buy it, or you may find something you need!

Cliff (K0CA) brought a box of (32) coffee mugs with the Club’s Lighthouse Insignia on them. Fred (KB0WIL) had them in his garage and found them when he moved. The Club decided to raffle 5 mugs, and save the rest for future events.

Don presented a pamphlet about a new program called Neighborhood Hamwatch. The idea was create by Andy Gausz (KG4QCD) to make neighborhoods aware of the benefit of amateur radio during times “when all else fails”. For more information, contact Andy at kg4qcd@arrl.net.

50/50:

The 50/50 was won by Rob (KE0DZI). Rob donated it back to the Club. Thanks Rob!

Mark Twain Lighthouse Mugs Drawing:

Mugs were won by Steve (KD0YTH), Dave (KB0RZN), Don (KD0HHN), Earl (W9WJO) and Vern (W5UYF).

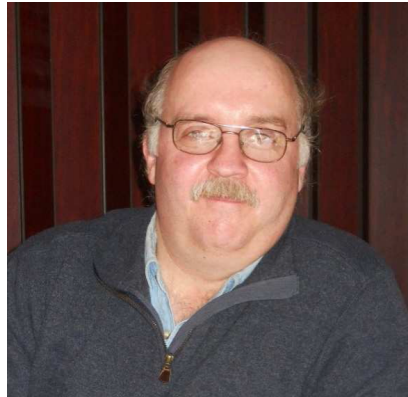
A motion to adjourn was made by Chet (W0CCR) and seconded by John (KC9MMO). The motion carried and the meeting adjourned

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK
BY DON VARY KDØHHN



The other day (4/19) I was attending a planning seminar for a upcoming SEMA drill concerning a long term power outage due to an ice storm. The proposed outage is 7 to 10 days, speaking from experience, which is quite realistic for a winter ice storm. This got me to thinking that if this were to happen, would I be prepared and be able to operate my station, if needed, to assist emergency management officials.

I have a "go-kit" with a spare Icom 706 MKII, power supply, tuner, coax and antennas. I also have a signalink and laptop for digital and winlink, along with extra power cables for my radio, one of which would allow me to run my radio off a car battery. My HT's have regular battery packs and also "AA" battery packs along with enough "AA" batteries for a single operation, More batteries will be forthcoming.

Something else that got me thinking about these preparations is the upcoming solar eclipse in August. The path for the eclipse will take it over Missouri, starting from the Northwest corner of the state, directly over Columbia and down to the Southeastern part of the state. While this will be a great event to view, there are concerns. SEMA Region H has been meeting to address problems of people going to the Northwest to view the eclipse and the logistical problems large numbers of people coming into an area will create. They are also looking at the possibility of an Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) incident. This would take out any unprotected electrical equipment, such as basically everything we use in our everyday lives. There would be no power, no cell phones, any vehicle made

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after 1978 would be dead, as well as any Amateur Radio equipment not sufficiently protected, or the older tube sets. Protection from EMP involves placing your equipment inside a Farady cage, which can be made from simple things such as a military ammunition can or a metal garbage can lined with Styrofoam, the radios placed in their boxes, wrapped with aluminum foil and then placed in a zip-lock bag, then into the container. There are several sites on could visit for this info, just do a search for "Amateur Radio and EMP Protection" Its always wise to be prepared and follow the unofficial ARES® motto of "Semper Gumby, or Always Flexible"

Well, guess that's all for now, Hope to see everyone at the club dinner on the 29th at Golden Corral.

73

Don

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT !!!!

Lieutenant Stephanie Combs, Squadron Commander for the local Civil Air Patrol squadron will be doing a presentation of the Civil Air Patrol and their duties at our May meeting



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HOPE TO SEE EVERYONE THERE !!

DX FROM THE TREASURER'S DESK BY LARRY LAUER WB2UFO



Larry Lauer, WB2UFO

An interesting group of possibilities with this list. I look forward to November, to be working the members of the Mediterraneo Dx Club (MDXC) in Burundi. But first some fun stuff the end of April and into May.

Larry
WB2UFO

9U BURUNDI. Members of the Mediterraneo Dx Club (MDXC) are planning to be on the road again but this time to Africa to reach their next operation. They will be active from the banks of the Tanganyika Lake, Bujumbura. The leader of the group will be Antonio, IZ8CCW, and the co-leader Gabriele, I2VGW. Both are happy to announce to the DXer Community their new adventure with the international MDXC team to Burundi 2017. The license is already in the leaders's hands, and they will be active as 9U4M between November 6-17th. According to the evaluations that they have done, they are confident to give to a lot of DXers the possibility to work this Country on the lower bands, the WARC bands and especially on the Digital modes. At the moment, the team is already built with experienced operators: 20 people coming from 8 (eight) countries. They will be on the air with five stations, on any mode, around the clock. For any further news and updates, please stay tuned: the official web site of this new great adventure is coming soon. Of course any donation and sponsorship will be very very appreciated by the entire team!

TOGO, 5V.5V7P until April 27. Activity is on 160-10 meters QSL OK6DJ.
MALDIVES, 8Q. 8Q7EJ from Vilamendhoo from April 24 to May 7.
BOTSWANA, A2. A A25UK from April 25 to May 5. QSL via M0OXO.
SWITZERLAND, HB. Special event station HB600NVF is QRV until the end of 2017 to mark the 600 years since the patron saint of Switzerland Niklaus von Flue was born. QSL via HB9JOE.

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ALAND ISLANDS, OH0. Ari, OH3KAV will be QRV as OF0KA from April 22 to 27. Activity will be holiday style on 80 to 10 meters using CW, JT9 and JT65. QSL to home call.

CRETE, SV9. Seppo, OH1VR will be QRV as SV9/OH1VR from April 27 to May 3. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters using mainly CW. QSL direct to home call.

MAIL, TZ. Denis, F8DAK is QRV as TZ6BB from Bamako and is here for about 18 months. Activity is on 20 meters. QSL to home call. In addition, Jeff, TZ4AM is QRV from Bamako. He is active on the HF bands, and possibly on 6 meters as well. QSL to W3HNK.

EUROPEAN RUSSIA, UA. Special event stations R1961GP and R1961AG are QRV until April 30 to commemorate the April 12, 1961 first manned space flight by cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin. QSL R1961AG via RA4DR and R1961GP via OQRS.

NAMIBIA, V5. Stefan, HB9JAB is QRV as V51/HB9JAP until May 8 while caravanning around Namibia. Activity is on 40 to 10 meters. QSL to home call.

VIET NAM, XV. Jesus, WP4JBG is QRV as XV9G from Ho Chi Minh City until May 9. Activity is on 40, 20 and 15 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home call.

LAOS, XW. Bruce, XW4XR has been active on 20 meters using RTTY around 1400z. QSL via E21EIC.

4W, TIMOR LESTE. Operators Wilbert/PE7T and James/9V1YC/N1YC from Liquica Province as 4W/PE7T and 4W/N1YC until April 11th. Activity will be on 80-6 meters using CW and SSB. QSL 4W/PE7T via PE7T, by the Bureau or LoTW (No direct QSL cards PLEASE). QSL 4W/N1YC via W5UE or LoTW.

ED9/EG9, CEUTA AND MELILLA. EG9TOR between May 18-22nd. The team will also be active as ED9T during the King Of Spain CW 2017 Contest (May 21-22nd). QSL via EA4PN

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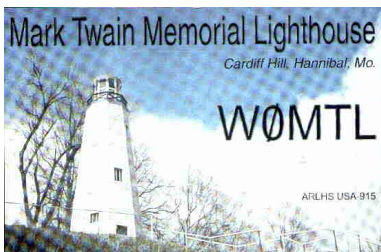
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